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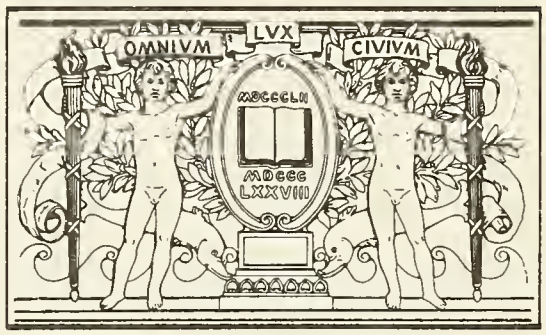

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A RUSSELL HISTORY

VALENTINE RUSSELL AND HIS DESCENDANTS

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5th Generation - Small letters a, b, c, etc.
6th Generation - Arabic numerals in parenthesis (1), (2), (3)
7th Generation - Small letters in parenthesis (a), (b), (c)

NO. 1 ON THIS CHART IS THE SAME PERSON AS NO._____ON CHART NO._____

1 James Edwin Russell

BORN Sept. 6, 1848
WHERE Champaign Co. O.
MARRIED April 30, 1879
WHERE Champaign Co. O.
DIED Feb. 15, 1932
WHERE Champaign Co. O.

Ann Catharine Kizer

SPOUSE
BORN April 11, 1846
DIED Dec. 26, 1922

2 Valentine Russell

BORN May 24, 1814
WHERE Loudoun Co. Va.
MARRIED July 26, 1836
WHERE Champaign Co. O.
DIED May 23, 1891
WHERE Champaign Co. O.

3 Margaret Hill

BORN July 6, 1818
WHERE Champaign Co. O.
DIED Dec. 4, 1902
WHERE Champaign Co. O.

4 Robert Russell

BORN Nov. 18, 1783
WHERE Va.
MARRIED March 20, 1811
WHERE Va.
DIED March 28, 1873
WHERE Champaign Co. O.

5 Mary Miller

BORN May 11, 1788
WHERE Champaign Co. O.
DIED Feb. 2, 1881
WHERE Champaign Co. O.

6 Joseph Hill, Jr.

BORN May 10, 1779
WHERE Prince Wm Co. Va.
MARRIED 1st Feb. 19, 1801, Ky.
2nd Sept. 25, 1817
DIED Sept. 8, 1861
WHERE Champaign Co. O.

1st Margaret Oliver

7 2nd Mary Purcell

BORN Sept. 1, 1789
WHERE Va.
DIED May 2, 1868
WHERE Urbana, O.

8 James Russell

BORN 1754
WHERE Loudoun Co.Va.
MARRIED Ca. 1778
WHERE Va.
DIED Dec. 12, 1831
WHERE Loudoun Co. Va.

Robert Russell came to Va. in 1766 w/his wife _____ LaTell and three sons & two daughters.

9 1st Sarah Osborn

BORN ?
WHERE ?
DIED 1795
WHERE Va.

2nd Nancy Heath
BORN Ca. 1784
DIED Oct. 25, 1865

10 Valentine Miller

BORN 1754
WHERE Louden Co. Va.
MARRIED Va.
WHERE ?
DIED Ca. 1836
WHERE Champaign Co. O.

11 Sarah Conrad

BORN 1759
WHERE ?
DIED ?
WHERE ?

12 Joseph Hill

BORN May 10, 1744
WHERE Va.
MARRIED 1772
WHERE Ohio ?
DIED Oct. 28, 1836
WHERE Champaign Co. O.

13 Ruth Bayley Fitch

BORN Jan. 17, 1740
WHERE Baltimore, Md.
DIED ?
WHERE ?

the widow of Henry Fitch

14 George Purcell

BORN 1755
WHERE Childbarn France
MARRIED 1787
WHERE Alexandria, Va.
DIED 1804
WHERE Mason Co. Ky.

son of Wm and Sarah Purcell

15 Margaret Randolph

BORN Ca. 1763
WHERE Va.
DIED April 19, 1851 or 55
WHERE Champaign Co. O.

daughter of John Randolph & Anne Osborn

PEDIGREE CHART

PART I

VALENTINE RUSSELL

Valentine Russell was born in Loudoun County, Virginia on May 24, 1814. At the age of four his parents brought him to Ohio and they located in Concord Township, Champaign County, Ohio. Valentine was a born mechanic and at the age of 15 years he learned the carpenter trade, which he followed principally for forty years.

On July 26, 1836 Valentine married Margaret Hill, daughter of Joseph and Mary Purcell Hill. They had eight children and each one has a Chapter in this book.

Chapter I Robert Hill Russell
Chapter II Minerva Ann Russell
Chapter III Eliza Jane Russell
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Chapter V James Edwin Russell
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Chapter VII Lorin Valentine Russell
Chapter VIII Albert Willie Russell

Valentine Russell died at the age of 77 years, May 23, 1891 and Margaret Hill Russell died December 4, 1902 and both are buried in Concord Cemetery, Champaign County, Ohio.

CHAPTER I

ROBERT HILL RUSSELL

Robert H. Russell was born June 8, 1837 in Champaign County, Ohio. He enlisted in the 66th Regt. O.V.I. and left for the seat of war in December 1861. He enlisted as first Sergeant of Co. G. In 1863 he was commissioned second and then first Lieut. and later Captain of Co. G. and served until near the end of the war. At the battle of Port Republic he was captured by the enemy and was held at Belle Island, Richmond, for about three months; was in a number of battles including Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Resaca, Peachtree Creek, etc. On February 26, 1867 he was married to Almira J. Rohrer. Almira was born 1844 and died July 4, 1914.

Robert Hill Russell and his father-in-law Jeremiah Edwin Rohrer bought Green Castle farm in Shenandoah County, Virginia. It was located in a bend of the Shenandoah River in the shadow of Kennedys Peak in the Massanutten Range of the west. Captain Russell built his dream house here and lived there until sometime in the late 1880's when he sold the farm and moved to Luray. He died September 25, 1911 in Luray, Virginia. Almira and the children moved to Washington D.C. in January of 1912. They had five children.

A. DAISY RUSSELL died December 8, 1869 (about 1 year old)

B. CARRIE RUSSELL born August 8, 1870, died 1899 at Luray, Virginia

C. AGNES RUSSELL born December 23, 1873, died August 10, 1949

D. MARY RUSSELL born March 23, 1878, died October 22, 1966

E. MARGARET JANE RUSSELL born February 5, 1888, died October 7, 1973. Married August 25, 1913 to Samuel Kagey Roller, son of John A. Roller of DeRidder, Louisiana. They had two children:

1. Winona Jane Roller born July 1, 1916, lives in Silver Springs, Maryland.

2. Edwin Russell Roller born January 23, 1918 in DeRidder, Louisiana. Married November 25, 1943 in Southbridge, Maine to Rachel Eveline Poirier born June 19, 1921 in Southbridge, Maine, a daughter of Onesiphore and Ida Boisvert Poirier. They have two children:

a. Evelyn Rachel Roller born August 25, 1944 in Southbridge Maine.

b. John Robert Roller born June 1, 1947 in Putnam, Connecticut. Married October 26, 1973 in Galion, Ohio to Karen Schultz Wintermute born March 23, 1954. They have two children:

(1) Angela Dawn Roller born June 24, 1977 at Galion, Ohio.

(2) Jason Robert Roller born November 24, 1981 at Galion, Ohio.

CHAPTER II

MINERVA ANN RUSSELL

Minerva Ann Russell born May 27, 1839, died January 10, 1920. Married June 5, 1857 to Silas Nelson Longfellow born 1834, died 1911, son of Joseph and Martha Hull Longfellow from the state of Delaware. Joseph died December 11, 1865, age 99 and Martha died August 2, 1864, age 68. Both buried in Concord Cemetery. They had four children:

A. JOSEPH VALENTINE LONGFELLOW born March 21, 1858, died February 12, 1922, married December 27, 1888 to Alice Warman. They had one child:

1. Edith Adeline Longfellow born October 30, 1891, died January 8, 1971. Married June 11, 1922 to Louden Page born July 20, 1897, died November 2, 1968, the son of C. B. and Mary McClintock Page. They had three children:

a. Margaret Louise Page born July 26, 1923 in Champaign County, Ohio. Married Vannie Kitchen on August 23, 1953. Vannie was born May 12, 1908 in Middletown, Ohio, died July 22, 1978. They had eight children:

(1) Mildred Elizabeth Kitchen born May 30, 1954 in Union County, Ohio. Married July 14, 1972 to Delbert Brightman. She has two children:

(a) Amy Lynn Brightman born January 1, 1975

(b) Jason Eugene Brightman born July 7, 1976

(2) David Alan Kitchen born August 5, 1955 in Champaign County, Ohio. Married Linda Temple born January 23, 1952. Married on May 14, 1977 in Dayton, Ohio. They have three children:

(a) Andrew Alan Kitchen born April 25, 1978

(b) Sara Christine Kitchen born June 3, 1979

(c) Aaron Joseph Kitchen born January 29, 1982

(3) Anne Marie Kitchen born September 12, 1957 in Champaign County, Ohio. Married on January 19, 1973 to Sam Karg, Jr. born July 24, 1954. They have two children:

(a) Charity Bernadette Karg born June 30, 1973

(b) Brandon Joseph Karg born February 12, 1978

(4) Mary Ann Kitchen born August 23, 1958 in Champaign County, Ohio. She has two children:

(a) Tennille Marie Kitchen born February 8, 1977

(b) Brian Alan Kitchen born August 6, 1978

(5) Brenda Sue Kitchen born April 10, 1960 in Champaign County, Ohio. She has two children:

(a) Shawn Michael Kitchen born July 29, 1976

(b) Linette Marie Kitchen born March 27, 1980

(6) Phillip Eugene Kitchen born March 24, 1961, married Jan Adkins on March 27, 1982.

(7) Anthony Wayne Kitchen born January 17, 1963 in Champaign County, Ohio.

(8) Melissa Jane Kitchen born November 4, 1966 in Champaign County, Ohio.

b. Donald Edward Page born November 13, 1925

c. Mildred Jeanette Page born June 16, 1927, died January 30, 1929.

B. MARY ELIZA LONGFELLOW born March 22, 1859, died 1940. Married December 30, 1897 to Harry Brower. He was born 1857, died 1944. They had one child:

1. Merrit L. Brower born November 13, 1899, died December 1, 1900. Buried in Concord Cemetery, Champaign County, Ohio.

C. MARGARET WILDA LONGFELLOW born May 6, 1862, died 1942. Married February 23, 1887 to Sophos M. Greene born 1857, died 1942. They had five children:

1. William Ollie Greene born February 12, 1888, died 1922. Married September 1, 1910 to Helen Rose Steward born 1886, died 1925. They had one child:

   a. Helen Elizabeth Greene born February 24, 1912, died 1981. She first married Robert K. Richards and then a Schaub. She went by the name of Betty Richards Schaub.

2. Minerva Ann Greene born September 30, 1889, died 1930.

3. Margaret Edith Greene born October 30, 1894. Married February 20, 1915 to Frederick Wilbur Lott born January 17, 1892 the son of W. H. and Elizabeth Cramton Lott. They had four children:

   a. James Robert Lott born October 11, 1915
   b. Fred Wilber Lott born October 8, 1917
   c. Wm. Howard Lott born August 12, 1919
   d. Elizabeth Louise Lott born August 5, 1921

4. Charles Nelson Greene born October 5, 1903, died 1938. Married June 20, 1931 to Founta G. Davis, daughter of Leslie F. and Zella King Davis of Fairmont, West Virginia.

5. Robert Greene born January 9, 1909

D. VICTOR OTHELLO LONGFELLOW born October 16, 1876, died June 23, 1929. Married Charlotte Young on June 17, 1914. They had two children:

1. Charlotte Longfellow born March 12, 1918, married Fred H. Lehman born October 26, 1898.

2. Mary Minerva Longfellow born October 20, 1920, married Merrill E. Landrum born May 23, 1916, died September 29, 1972. They had four children:

   a. Carolyn Ann Landrum born January 3, 1941
   b. Robert E. Landrum born January 19, 1943
   c. Willard R. Landrum born October 29, 1946
   d. Rebecca S. Landrum born October 15, 1948

CHAPTER III

ELIZA JANE RUSSELL

Eliza Jane Russell born May 12, 1841, died August 13, 1914, married on October 3, 1876 to Adam P. Vance. This was Adam's second marriage. On October 3, 1854 he married Miss Dorcas Malin and she died September 30, 1855. Adam was born August 5, 1827. He was a school teacher for over twenty years. He died in 1911. They had three children:

A. MYRTA VANCE born 1877, died in San Diego, California
B. LORIN VANCE born 1879, died in San Diego, California
C. LEOTA VANCE born 1881, died in San Diego, California

CHAPTER IV

MARY AMANDA RUSSELL

Mary Amanda Russell, the fourth child of Valentine and Margaret Hill Russell died in infancy.

CHAPTER V

JAMES EDWIN RUSSELL

James E. Russell was born on a farm one and one half miles west of Eris on September 6, 1848. He remained at home until he was twenty-one years of age. On December 24, 1871 he was united in marriage to Matilda J. Kizer. She passed away on May 9, 1872. On April 30, 1879 James married Ann Catharine "Kate" Kizer, a sister of his first wife. They lived on a 68 acre farm in Concord Township. In 1884 and 1885 James owned a grocery in Eris in partnership with John Hesselgesser. James also had a maple syrup camp west of Eris. In 1888 James, "Ed" as he was sometimes called, and Kate purchased 48 acres of land in Logan County, Ohio. James and his father, Valentine, built a house on this land. In 1898 they returned to Concord Township, Champaign County, Ohio and lived one half mile north of Eris until 1917. James then sold his farm and purchased one in Salem Township on State Route 68, north of Urbana.

James was a life long member of Concord Methodist Church. He was a Republican and took an active part in local civic affairs. He loved to travel and spent many years compiling a History and Genealogy of the Russell Family. It was published by the Gaumer Publishing Company of Urbana, Ohio in 1922. A copy was placed in the Congressional Library in Washington D.C., the Ohio State Library in Columbus, Ohio and in the Champaign County Library, Urbana, Ohio. James passed away on February 15, 1932. Ann Catharine "Kate" passed away December 26, 1922 in Eris, Ohio. They had two children:

A. CHARLES EDWIN RUSSELL born July 26, 1880 in Concord Township, Champaign County, Ohio, died April 7, 1969 in Urbana, Ohio. Married June 6, 1906 to Zella Offenbacher born June 25, 1885, died January 14, 1981 at Urbana, Ohio. She was the daughter of Oliver Perry and Jennie Olive Mayberry Offenbacher. They had two children:

1. Blanche Elizabeth Russell born February 14, 1908 in Champaign County, Ohio. Married May 10, 1929 to Robert J. Everett born March 5, 1900, died May 30, 1956. He was the son of William H. and Martha Glendening Everett. They have four children:

a. Robert Russell Everett born April 11, 1931 in Champaign County, Ohio. Married August 20, 1961 in the Clifton, N.J. First Lutheran Church to Gloria Cornett born May 12, 1930, daughter of Tunis and _____ Cornett of Clifton, New Jersey. They have two children:

(1) David Robert Everett born April 5, 1964 in Ridgewood, New Jersey.

(2) Gregg Thomas Everett born July 31, 1967 in Ridgewood, New Jersey.

b. William Ray Everett born August 18, 1932 in Champaign County, Ohio. Married July 27, 1956 in Germantown, Ohio to Mary Maxine Githens born November 3, 1932, daughter of George and Clara Jane Githens, Germantown, Ohio. They have two children:

(1) Timothy Scott Everett born July 31, 1957 in Dayton, Ohio

(2) Steven Ray Everett born December 12, 1960 in Monroe, Ohio

c. Martha Fern Everett born May 7, 1936 in Champaign County, Ohio. Married in Columbus, Ohio on July 18, 1958 to Ivan Lee Bowman born April 24, 1934, son of Orville and Golda Raymond Bowman, Findlay, Ohio. They have two children:

(1) Lee Everett Bowman born September 18, 1963 in Redondo Beach, California

(2) Andra Kay Bowman born May 13, 1966 in Redondo Beach, California

d. Linda Mae Everett born April 9, 1940 in Champaign County, Ohio. Married August 8, 1958 to Thomas Rose born January 17, 1940, died July 27, 1978. He was the son of Emery and Betty Rose, Middletown, Ohio. On January 9, 1982 Linda was married in Oakridge, Tennessee to Earl Larcher born May 1, 1934. Children of Thomas and Linda Rose:

(1) Lynne Ann Rose born May 12, 1959 in Champaign County, Ohio

(2) David Ryan Rose born January 23, 1961 in Champaign County, Ohio

(3) Douglas Alan Rose born February 26, 1962 in Lawrence County, Tennessee

2. Marjorie Fern Russell born May 31, 1909 in Champaign County, Ohio. Married May 21, 1932 in Rawson, Ohio to Carl F. Pooler born October 19, 1909 in Marysville, Union County, Ohio, son of John Chadwick and Ida Shaffer Pooler. They have two children:

a. Betty Jean Pooler born February 26, 1934 in Springfield, Ohio. Married August 11, 1956 in Urbana Methodist Church to Louis Milton Driever born August 18, 1932, son of Walter and Estelle Shoemaker Driever of Middletown, Ohio. They have two children:

(1) Louis Milton Driever, Jr. born October 5, 1957 in Miami County, Troy, Ohio

(2) Dwight Kurtis Driever born January 19, 1959 in Miami County, Troy, Ohio. Married August 25, 1979 in Springfield, Ohio to Tonya McBrayer born December 15, 1958 in Springfield, Ohio, daughter of Darrell L. and Mary Helen Campbell McBrayer. They have one child:

(a) Tasha Arin Driever born March 29, 1981 in Springfield, Ohio

b. Mary Louise Pooler born August 2, 1935 in Urbana, Ohio. Married September 8, 1956 in Urbana Methodist Church to Richard E. White born May 9, 1935 in New Castle, Indiana, son of Edward Hewit and Lois Sage White. They have three children:

(1) Dean Matthew White born November 11, 1957 in Allegheny County, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

(2) Michael Alan White born September 13, 1959 in Allegheny County, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

(3) Colleen Annette White born May 15, 1963 in Allegheny County, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

B. LILLIAN BLANCHE RUSSELL born July 4, 1882, died May 6, 1912. Married November 14, 1905 to John William Elwell. They had one child:

1. William Russell Elwell born July 27, 1909, died December 5, 1969. He married twice but had no children.

CHAPTER VI

JOHN FLETCHER RUSSELL

John Fletcher Russell was born June 14, 1851. He first married August 31, 1882 to Emma Wiant born July 22, 1857 and died 1889. John Fletcher then married September 21, 1890 Amanda Colwell born August 8, 1869, died 1955. John and Emma Wiant Russell had three children; Emerson, Oscar and Bliss. John and Amanda Colwell Russell had three children; Amy, Vina and Fred. John Fletcher died October 1942 and is buried in Concord Cemetery, Concord Township, Champaign County, Ohio.

A. EMERSON W. RUSSELL born July 22, 1883, died March 1, 1904, buried in Concord Cemetery.

B. OSCAR W. RUSSELL born April 8, 1885, died September 24, 1906

C. BLISS FUNK RUSSELL born April 25, 1888, died June 1959, married April 18, 1916 to Edith Cora McClellan of Hilliards, Ohio. They had two children:

1. John McClellan Russell born May 11, 1918 at West Liberty, Ohio, married Betty Bolender born January 12, 1919 at Ashley, Ohio the daughter of Elbert O. Bolender and Sarah Pauline Page. They have three children:

a. John Philip Russell born January 6, 1941 at Columbus, Ohio, married Peggy Ann O'Hara on September 1, 1962 at Hilliard Methodist Church.

b. Rebecca Lee Russell born February 23, 1943 at Columbus, Ohio, married Robert Louis Hurst on February 6, 1964 at Hilliard Methodist Church.

c. Cynthia Lynn Russell born March 16, 1951 at Columbus, Ohio, married David Pennington on June 13, 1981 at Liberty Presbyterian Church.

2. Nelson Lee Russell born June 4, 1923 at Lena, Ohio. Served in US Army from March 1943 to January 1946. Married Elsie Marie Haueisan, daughter of Veit Carl Haueisan and Margaret Johanna Ranken. Elsie born February 22, 1923 at Hilliard, Ohio. They have seven children:

a. Steven Andrew Russell born August 8, 1947 at Columbus, Ohio, married Bonnie Lee McBrayer on August 25, 1972. They have four children:

(1) R. Michael Russell

(2) Jennifer L. Russell

(3) Ashley B. Russell

(4) Antares E. Russell

b. Charles Nelson Russell born June 4, 1951 at Columbus, Ohio, married Bonnie Louise Kilgore on October 25, 1972.

c. Brian Bliss Russell born May 11, 1953 at Columbus, Ohio

d. Delene Ann Russell born May 25, 1955 at Columbus, Ohio

e. Robert Joseph Russell born June 14, 1961 at Columbus, Ohio

f. Annette Marie Russell born May 25, 1963 at Columbus, Ohio

g. Richard Lee Russell born September 1967 at Columbus, Ohio

D. AMY MAY RUSSELL born April 14, 1892, died 1945. Married October 9, 1915 to Ainsworth Sheehe, son of William C. and Belle Stokes Sheehe. They had one child:

1. Charles F. Sheehe born January 30, 1921

E. VINA RUSSELL born June 14, 1895, died August 12, 1901

F. FRED RUSSELL. born September 24, 1900, died November 15, 1982. Married January 12, 1921 to Bonita Deliah Harris born June 2, 1903, died June 21, 1945. They had seven children:

1. Robert Harris Russell born May 7, 1921, died July 12, 1981. Married June 14, 1945 to Luella Marie Schultz born January 25, 1925. They had one child:

a. James R. Russell born October 31, 1946, married November 27, 1965 to Cathy Grissom born March 16, 1949. They have one child:

(1) Barbara Russell born March 24, 1966

2. Donald Russell born and died May 7, 1921

3. Imogene Russell born October 28, 1922, married August 6, 1942 to Arthur Crowder born June 16, 1921. They have two children:

a. Catherine Louise Crowder born November 12, 1948, married December 28, 1968 to Daniel Patrick North, born June 28, 1947. They have two children:

(1) Jennifer Jean North born April 19, 1975

(2) Christopher Matthew North born March 28, 1978

b. David Crowder born November 27, 1954

4. Emerson Harlan Russell born March 9, 1928, married October 2, 1948 to Frances LaRue McDowell born October 31, 1931. They have three children:

a. Shirley Anne Russell born and died June 23, 1949

b. Linda Lee Russell born April 28, 1951, married May 31, 1972 to Larry Dean McCauley born April 3, 1951. 2nd marriage November 5, 1982 to Willard Owen Conover.

c. Glen Emerson Russell born August 22, 1956, married August 27, 1978 to Dannita Joy Dillard born September 24, 1959.

5. Oscar Hugh Russell born March 9, 1928, married 1955 to Mary Curl. No children. 2nd marriage on June 12, 1965 to Carol Jeanette Wright (Chrisman) born February 5, 1938. They have three children:

a. Bonnita Russell born January 8, 1967

b. Teresa Russell born March 19, 1968

c. Cindy Russell born November 26, 1970

Carol Wright Russell's children by a former marriage: William Ellis Chrisman born April 30, 1958, married November 1, 1980 to Cindy Jenkins; and Ron Chrisman born October 5, 1962.

6. Lloyd Russell born November 28, 1929, married July 20, 1956 to Phyllis Rae Evans born March 13, 1933. They have two children:

a. Michael Lloyd Russell born July 23, 1958, married September 1976 to Bonnie Sue Austin born March 6, 1957

b. Steven Lee Russell born June 24, 1967

7. Floyd Russell born November 28, 1929. Not married.

CHAPTER VII

LORIN VALENTINE RUSSELL

Lorin Valentine Russell was born in Champaign County, Ohio in 1855 and died September 25, 1871. He is buried in Concord Cemetery, Concord Township, Champaign County, Ohio.

CHAPTER VIII

ALBERT WILLIE RUSSELL

Albert Willie Russell was born in Concord Township, Champaign County, Ohio near the Methodist Church at Eris on April 4, 1859. A. W. (as he was called) lived at home with his parents until early manhood and attended the district schools and then went to Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, Ohio for two years. After finishing his education he returned home and farmed with his father, Valentine, until he inherited part of the homestead and later purchased more. On December 6, 1900 he married Mary E. Snarr born 1874, daughter of Philip and Elizabeth Keller Snarr, both native of Shenandoah County, Virginia, and later of Hardy County, West Virginia. A. W. died March 1941 and Mary, his wife, died June 1952. They had three children:

A. PHILIP VALENTINE RUSSELL born March 19, 1901 in Champaign County, Ohio. Married November 30, 1922 to Gladys Staymen born August 26, 1902 in Champaign County, Ohio. They have three children:

1. William S. Russell born May 13, 1924. Married June 7, 1947 to Wilma Ford. They have one child:

    a. Debbie Lynn Russell born March 31, 1951

2. Philip Alvin Russell born April 27, 1928. Married first to Betty June Hendricks in July 1947. They have three children; Barbara, Karen and Philip. He then married Juanita McNeely in July 1966 and they have two children; Brenda Sue and Paul.

    a. Barbara Russell born 1948. Married Dennis Clifford. They have two children:

        (1) Melissa Clifford born 1969

        (2) Dustin Clifford born 1974

    b. Karen Russell born September 22, 1950. Married Stan Geist on August 28, 1980.

    c. Philip Edward (Eddie) Russell born September 26, 1959. Married Debra Ann Vannata August 4, 1979.

d. Brenda Sue Russell born 1968

e. Paul Russell born February 1, 1971

3. Elizabeth Ann Russell born December 9, 1943 in Champaign County, Ohio. Married November 22, 1964 to Lawrence Miley. They have two children:

a. Lawrence Miley born November 15, 1967

b. Stephanie Miley born September 30, 1970

B. RICHARD HILL RUSSELL born February 19, 1906, died May 19, 1956. Married October 22, 1932 at Westville, Ohio to Martha Belle Ward born December 23, 1907. They had two children:

1. Catherinlu Russell born July 17, 1938

2. Ravilla Ann Russell born November 26, 1940. Married September 26, 1962 to Samuel Irwin. They have one child:

a. William Patrick Irwin born May 14, 1963

Martha Belle Ward Russell married October 11, 1975 at Sidney, Ohio to Leslie Earl Shively born February 16, 1906 at Springfield, Ohio.

C. MARVIN KELLER RUSSELL born November 9, 1907, died November 8, 1959. Married on April 9, 1939 to Ilene C. Dibert. They had one child:

1. Kermit Russell born July 4, 1940. Married September 14, 1968 to Kathleen Brookhart, daughter of Roy Brookhart. They have two children:

a. Jeffrey born January 27, 1972

b. Bethany born July 30, 1977

APPENDIX # 1

RUSSELL

Robert Russell emigrated to Virginia with his family in 1766. His wife was a _____ LaTell. He settled in the lower Loudoun Valley about two miles from Harpers Ferry. His family consisted of three sons and two daughters: Robert, John, James, Ruth and the other girl's name is forgotten.

James, our ancestor, was born in 1754. He joined the Continental Army at the age of nineteen and served seven years. He was at the siege and fall of Yorktown and surrender of Cornwallis. He was in the Battle of Guilford. James was a sergeant in the 13th Virginia Regiment, commanded by Colonel William Russell. On his return home he married Sarah Osborn, an English lady by whom he had seven children:

Hannah married David Neer
Elizabeth married William Neer
Margaret married Henry Neer
ROBERT born 1783, married Mary Miller (our branch)
John born 1786, married first Jane Kincade - second Katharine Kizer
James married Jane Conrad
Sarah born 1792, married Samuel Neer

Sarah Osborn Russell died about 1795 and James Russell then married Nancy Heath and they had twelve children:

William born 1804, married Sarah Blackburn
Mary born 1805, married _____ Neswander
Joseph L. married first Harriet Alstead - second Catherine Powers
Margaret died single
Israel married Marie Littlejohn
Ruth married Philetus Orval Littlejohn
Samuel died 1839. He was an officer in War of 1812
David married Esther Coe. Died in 1839
Catherine died single
Jane born March 25, 1820, married Hameton McCoy. Jane came to Ohio and then moved to Illinois in 1856. She took an active part with DAR and she was one of its original members. She died January 22, 1916.
Jonathan born 1825, married first Elizabeth Edwards - second Elizabeth Keathly
Emily died single

James and his second wife Nancy Heath raised all nineteen children on the Russell homestead estate near Harpers Ferry and James died December 12, 1831. A limestone slab marks the site of burial on this farm. During the Civil War troops were encamped on the farm and all of the buildings except the house were destroyed.

Our ancestor ROBERT, the fourth child of James and Sarah Osborn Russell, was born November 18, 1783. Robert came to Champaign County, Ohio in 1818 bringing with him his wife Mary Miller (daughter of Valentine and Sarah Conrad Miller) two sons, James and VALENTINE, a daughter Sarah, having baby Robert on the way (February 17, 1818). They settled in Champaign County, Concord Township, near Eris, Ohio. Four more children were born: Mary in 1821, Elizabeth in 1822, Ann in 1825 and John in 1827. The descendants of Robert (the child born to Robert and Mary on their way to Ohio) still live on this farm in Concord Township. Part I of this book is our ancestor VALENTINE.

APPENDIX # 2

Hill

Valentine Russell's wife MARGARET HILL was born July 16, 1818. Her father was Joseph Hill, Jr. born May 10, 1779 in Virginia. He was married on February 19, 1801 in Kentucky to Margaret Oliver, daughter of Peter and Mildred Randolph Oliver, and they had eight children:

Sarah born November 21, 1801 in Fleming County, Kentucky, married Calvin Fletcher on May 1, 1821

Malinda born October 17, 1803, married Elhannan Sweet on August 7, 1825

Mary born November 19, 1804, married Alfred Purcell on March 13, 1825

James W. born August 29, 1806, married Maria Harbour on June 30, 1829

Julia Ann born October 14, 1808, married first Robert Harper on April 7, 1832 - second Wm Idle on January 13, 1857

Ruth born September 20, 1810, married Samuel Miller on January 2, 1831

John Fitch born October 24, 1812, married Susan Grant on October 12, 1837

Wm. Oliver born November 18, 1814, married Nancy J. Hedges on September 10, 1844

The Hill family came from Kentucky to Champaign County, Ohio in about 1802. Joseph was the first white settler of what is now Concord Township. On August 27, 1816 Joseph's wife Margaret passed away and he returned to Kentucky on a visit. On September 25, 1817 he married Mary Purcell, daughter of George and Margaret Randolph Purcell. They returned to Ohio and they had five children:

MARGARET born July 6, 1818, married VALENTINE RUSSELL in July 1836
Amanda born March 11, 1820, married Joseph McCoy in November 1842
Minerva born August 26, 1822, married James D. Powell in September 1845
Joseph III born November 17, 1824, married Mary Miller in December 1848
Eliza Jane born April 13, 1827. She died December 14, 1839

Joseph, Jr. (Valentine Russell's father-in-law) passed away September 8, 1861 and is buried in Harbour South Cemetery, Concord Township. His wife Mary spent her last years at the home of her daughter Minerva Powell. She passed away in 1868.

Joseph, Sr. was born May 10, 1744 and died October 28, 1836. He is also buried in the Harbour South Cemetery. He was a Revolutionary War soldier and served in Patton's Co. Artillery Artificers Continental Troops as a Private from Virginia.

Joseph, Sr. was married in 1772 to Ruth Bayley Fitch, the widow of Henry Fitch, who had three children:

Nathan Fitch born 1767, married Anne Oliver
Salathiel Fitch born 1765, married Lavina James
John Fitch

Joseph & Ruth Fitch Hill children were:

Catherine born 1774, married Isaac Gray
Ruth, married James Watt
Joseph born May 10, 1779, married first Margaret Oliver - second Mary Purcell

APPENDIX # 3

PURCELL

Margaret Hill Russell's mother was Mary Purcell, the daughter of George and Margaret Randolph Purcell. Mary Purcell was born on September 10, 1789 and died July 2, 1868. George Purcell married Margaret Randolph in Alexandria, Virginia in 1787. He died in Mason County, Kentucky in 1804. Margaret then married Wm Chandler in 1816. She died in Urbana, Ohio April 19, 1851 or 1855. She is buried in the Pioneer Cemetery, north west of Urbana. The cemetery is sometimes called the Talbot or Kenton Burying Ground.

George Purcell was a Revolutionary War soldier. He was made Ensign (Flagbearer) of the 13th Virginia Artillery on December 13, 1776. He was wounded at Germantown on October 4, 1777 and afterward re-enlisted in a Pennsylvania Regiment. There he served three years as a Lieutenant in the Continental Line. He was awarded 2666 acres on Grant #6425 in Mason County, Kentucky, but it was not claimed until after his death in 1804 when it was applied for by his children: John, Jane (Pritchard), Mary (Hill), Catherine (Bergen), Margaret (Gilkerson), Charles, Nancy (Pritchard), George, Malinda and Alfred. (Will Book B, page 428, Maysville Mason County, Kentucky records.)

George's wife, Margaret, was the daughter of John and Anne Osborne Randolph. Margaret had a sister Mildred who married Peter Oliver of Virginia, than a schoolmaster in Mason County, Kentucky. Peter moved to Ohio to become one of the first schoolmasters in Urbana, Ohio. Peter was born in 1750 in Virginia, died after 1812 in Urbana, Ohio. Mildred was born in 1764 and at the age of 13 ran off and married Peter Oliver. Their children were:

Anne born 1778, married first Nathan Fitch - second Sampson Talbott
Margaret married Joseph Hill (Joseph then married Mary Purcell)
Mildred married George Patterson 1819
John married in Indiana
Peter married Mary Day
William G. married Eliza Ruffin

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